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ALL WILLING TO ATTEND MEETING

HARDING FAVORS NOVEMBER 11 AS DATE TO COMMENCE INTERNATIONAL DISARMAMENT CONFERENCE AT WASHINGTON

America's call to the civilized nations and leading powers of the world for a disarmament conference to be held at Washington has now been accepted by all nations invited. Japan has accepted the invitation after a delay that was thought in some quarters to mean that that country didn't share the view of any statesmen that limited armaments is necessary.

President Harding is favorable to the conference on Armistice Day, November 11, at Washington, but this hasn't been decided.

SEVENTY-EIGHT SCOUTS ON OUTING AT DEVIL'S DEN

Seventy-eight Boys Scouts, representing the several Durant troops, left Monday morning via truck, for Devil's Den, in Johnson county, west of Tishomingo, for a week's outing, where they have equipped an ideal Scout camp and are indulging in all sorts of out door sports and recreation, including fishing, boating, swimming, etc. They are in charge of Scout Commissioner John Vaughan, assisted by Scout Masters Bates, Beaty, Lambert and Hill.

Request Telephone Company To Provide Necessary Phones

Following a report of inadequate service given by the Chamber of Commerce telephone committee, the directors have decided to file formal complaint with the Corporation Commission asking that the Commission require the company to furnish phones to patrons desiring them. The committee points out that a largenumber of people want telephones and cannot get them from the company. The company, when asked about it, is said to have answered that the money was not available for additional equipment, and that, as the Durant Exchange had lost money the money could not be procured for Durant service extensions.

It is expected that the company will ask the Commission for increased rates in Durant within the near future.

BAPTIST REVIVAL MEETINGS BEING HELD AT BLUE

Evangelistic meetings are being held at the Baptist Church in Blue, commencing the past Sunday, and interest has been running high in them. The meetings are being conducted by Rev. J. E. Seagraves of Achille, assisted by Mr. Nunnery, editor of the Durant Country Club paper published at Chickasha.

A. Wolfe, of Dallas, a golfing expert was here Thursday giving special lessons in the great game to members of the Durant Country Club, who desire them.

DEMOCRATS ALTER THE PARTY PLAN

CHANGED PLAN REQUIRES ONE WOMAN AS MEMBER OF EVERY PRECINCT COMMITTEE. MUCH OPPOSITION

The much advertised meeting of the Democratic State Central Committee, to reorganize the party in the State, was held at Oklahoma City Tuesday, with fifty-seven out of the seventy-seven counties of the State represented, and although there was much argument and fussing, important changes were made in the party organization.

Probably the most important change made was that which manifestly caters to the women voters of the State. Under the plan adopted, chairman and vice chairman of the precinct committee shall be a man and a woman, and the secretary-treasurer of the committee may be either. This plan is followed in the county committee, in which the chairman and vice chairman shall be a man and a woman. This will also be followed in the eight congressional districts in which the congressional committees shall have a man and woman chairman and vice chairman.

Following out the plan, the State central committee shall be composed of 170 members, half the number being women and half being men. There shall be 85 members from the counties and 16 members from the eight congressional districts.

MILLIONS STARVE IN SOVIET STATE

REPORTS SAY 10,000,000 ACTUALLY DYING OF HUNGER AND AS MANY MORE FACE FAMINE IN NEAR FUTURE

Ten million persons are actually starving in the Russian Provinces of Samara and Saratoff and 10,000,000 more in other parts of Russia are facing famine according to official Moscow estimates.

Plagues of cholera, typhus and locusts, following in the wake of the drouth, have reduced Southern Russia to a charnal house.

The situation is worse than it was in 1872. A two year's drouth has left the country seedless. Supplies are exhausted and as a result millions are migrating westward and threatening to overrun the borders.

Bo'shevik representatives admit that the situation is beyond control of the Soviet leaders.

Pathetic appeals for assistance for the stricken districts are being made by Maxim Gorky and other noted Russians.

The locust plague also is reported to have spread through the territories along the Volga, across to Kuban.

They had a ball game Saturday afternoon—the Printers and the Court House did not that either could play ball—but that the Court House team played the worst and the Printers ran off with the long end of a 13 to 6 score.

Mandamus Suit Against Mayor Up August 15th

An interested crowd gathered in District Court Wednesday to hear the much talked about case wherein W. H. Perkinson, City Water Superintendent, is seeking by mandamus, to compel Mayor R. P. Bowles of Durant to sign warrants representing the former's salary, and the crowd was disappointed, for the Court postponed the hearing until August 16. The postponement was had on the motion of Attorneys C. C. Hatchett and Porter Newman, attorneys for Mr. Bowles, who said that they had not had time to look up the law. Mr. Perkinson is represented in the case by Hayes & McIntosh.

HOME DESTROYED BY FIRE

The home of C. S. Miller, living in Lone Oak community five miles northeast of Durant, was totally destroyed by fire at one o'clock Monday morning, together with all contents. Mr. Miller had no insurance on either house or household goods. Some of the children were sick at the time as well. The fire had its origin in an exploding coal oil lamp. Monday neighbors of Mr. Miller took up a collection among friends and partially enabled the stricken family to get a start on another home.

BOY SCOUTS HAVING FINE TIME

The Boy Scouts from Durant who are in camp at Devil's Den, all report a great time so far with no hitches. They are all very enthusiastic over their new diversion.

AMERICA DEMANDS CITIZEN'S RELEASE

NOTE TO RUSSIA STRONGEST BID SHORT OF FORCE. DEMAND MUST BE MET TO SECURE FURTHER AMERICAN SUPPLIES.

The strongest appeal to the Russian Soviet Government for release of American citizens detained there, short of actual force has been made the past week through the State Department and the demand has been received by the Russian Government. It appears that many citizens of the United States have been and are being prisoners in Russia without formal charge against them. Former appeals by the United States have gone unheeded.

The State Department and the Department of Commerce are cooperating to get results and Russia has been directly threatened with the stoppage of shipments of food and medical relief from the United States, unless the request is immediately met.

MOB LAW AT HATTIESBURG MISSISSIPPI LAST SATURDAY

Casey Jones, white, recently convicted of the murder of Mrs. J. S. Mosley and sentenced to be hanged July 18, but whose case was pending on appeal before the Mississippi State Supreme Court, was taken from the county jail at Hattiesburg by a mob early Saturday morning and hanged in the courthouse yard.

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County Physician Urges Vaccination Against Smallpox

(By Dr. D. Armstrong, County Health Officer.)

Small pox has been needlessly prevailing in Bryan County during the fall of 1920 and the spring of 1921, and it is still present in many localities of the county. With our present knowledge of preventative measures against this disease, this condition is almost disgraceful. The presence of an unvaccinated person is responsible for each case of small pox, and while the type of the disease for the past few years has been generally mild, we have no assurance that the mild type will not change as it has always done to the severe and fatal type. Therefore, we should not be led into the belief that the fatal type has gone into retirement permanently.

If we remain unvaccinated and thereby acquire a susceptible people, the Hugo Calamity of 1908 will sooner or later be repeated. If smallpox were now causing a death rate of from 25 to 50 per cent, the city would soon become alarmed and would be seeking vaccination.

It is the duty of the medical profession, and any one who knows the danger which awaits an unvaccinated community, to advise and teach vaccination as the only route to eliminate this dreaded disease.

Practically every person is susceptible to vaccination, and should be vaccinated repeatedly until it takes, which gives absolute immunity to smallpox.

No large scratches or scars need be made for introducing the vaccine. An abrasion one-sixteenth of an inch square is large enough, or a scar one-sixteenth of an inch is long enough, which if given the same care and attention that is demanded in any surgical procedure will entirely eliminate the occasionally painful and sore arm, and will rob the anti-vaccinationists of their only real argument which they have against vaccination.

The neglect of vaccination alone is responsible for the presence of smallpox in this county.

TWENTY-THREE TELEPHONES WANTED—NOTHING STIRRING

A resident of the Normal Boulevard district informed the News Tuesday that about two weeks previous to that he personally secured twenty-three applications for telephones by residents of the Normal Boulevard district alone, twenty of which were from individual residents of those two streets. The phones are not available and up until Tuesday of this week, the gentleman informs us, no action has been taken by the telephone company so far as his information was concerned.

MRS. LEEGRAFT DEAD

Word was received here Thursday morning telling of the death of Mrs. A. N. Leecraft at Oklahoma City, which occurred Wednesday night. Leecraft had been ill for quite a while following a stroke of paralysis. It was announced that burial would be made at Sherman, Texas.

Legislature Of Texas Drops Its Fight On Klan

The fight of the Texas Legislature against the organization of the Ku Klux Klan, has been dropped and is now history. A resolution condemning the organization was presented this week, and the resolution was tabled Wednesday by a vote of 69 to 54.

LITTLE T. G. ASTIN LAID TO REST SUNDAY

After a week's illness, during which hope revived and fled, alternately, T. G., Jr., five-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Griff Astin died last Saturday morning, death being due to that disease which appears common among children this year, known as Colitis. Funeral services were held at the home, Elm and Sixth, Sunday afternoon at two thirty o'clock, attended by a large number of friends. The services were in charge of Rev. C. B. Cross, pastor of the Methodist church, assisted by W. F. Tyree, with interment in Highland cemetery. At the grave of the little one, Rev. Ed. G. Butler offered prayer.

The active pall bearers were Sam Jackson, Howard Staley, Ray Tyson, W. P. Roundtree, Kenton Mattox, J. R. Higgins, Burt Swift and Morris Overstreet.

The sympathy of the community goes out to the parents in their bereavement.

TULSA CHIEF OF POLICE IS FOUND GUILTY

John A. Gustafson, suspended Tulsa Chief of police, was found guilty by a jury of having failed to take proper precautions for public safety in the night and day of the recent race riot here and also guilty on another count of conspiracy to free automobile thieves and collect rewards. The jury deliberated six hours.

The jury deliberated on only two counts, three having been dropped since the trial was started two weeks ago, with the punishment to be meted the Chief should he be convicted dismissal from office.

The two counts finally left charged dereliction of duty on the night of the riot and conspiracy with other members of the police force to permit thefts of automobiles so that insurance on them might be collected.

Counts of the indictment dropped included not enforcing the liquor law, not closing disorderly houses and of having used his city office to further the interests of his detective agency.

BUILDING COMMITTEE IS APPOINTED

The Durant Country Club is planning to make plans in the near future for the erection of a club house on the club property south of town. President Boswell this week selected a building committee to attend to the details, the committee comprising, Jas R. McKinney, Chairman, M. C. Mhoon and E. M. Evans.

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